

Skate Canada Assessment Structure

The STAR 1-Gold assessment structure consists of assessments in the disciplines of Skills, Freeskate, Dance and Artistic. The chart below is an overview of the assessments available to VSC skaters within that structure. Skaters may move through the assessments at their own pace but must complete the assessments in order within the same discipline.

SKILLS	FREESKATE		ARTISTIC
	ELEMENTS	PROGRAM	
Star 1	Star 1		
Star 2	Star 2	Star 2	
Star 3	Star 3	Star 3	
Star 4	Star 4	Star 4	
Star 5	Star 5	Star 5	Star 5
Star 6	Star 6	Star 6	
Star 7	Star 7	Star 7	Star 7
Star 8	Star 8	Star 8	
Star 9	Star 9	Star 9	Star 9
Star 10	Star 10	Star 10	
Gold		Gold	Gold

Additional Discipline Requirements

Freeskate: • Skaters may move through the Element OR Program assessments independent of each other (except for the Gold Program) • If a skater requires a designated STAR level for an event or recognition (such as year end Club ribbons) both the Element AND Program portions must be passed for the assessment level to be complete.

Artistic: • Skaters must have passed STAR 4 Skills to be eligible for a STAR 5 Artistic assessment or event.

STAR 1-5 is designed to provide assessment opportunities throughout the season that occur on regular training sessions. This encourages solid development that aligns with the skater's individual rate of progress versus scheduled assessment days. All STAR 1-5 assessments are assessed by VSC coaches and will take place on regular session ice during your skater's lesson time. Your skater's coach will notify you via e-mail that your skater is ready for an assessment. A \$15 Skate Canada Assessment fee is due for each STAR 1-5 assessment that is tried.

STAR 6-Gold is designed to provide more structured assessment opportunities on designated assessment days that may not coincide with your skater's regular training schedule. Skills and Element assessments may take place on regular session ice but Program assessments (Freeskate or Artistic) must be done on clear ice. Skate Canada BC/YK Section Evaluators assess all STAR 6 – Gold assessments. Coaches may be qualified to assess Skills but must be recognized by the Section to do so. Your skater's coach will notify you via e-mail that your skater is ready for an assessment and will let you know the day and time of the planned assessment session. The schedule and start order for the assessment day will be determined by the Assessment Co-ordinator. A \$20 Skate Canada Assessment fee is due for each STAR 6-Gold assessment that is tried.

Assessment Fee Payment

Assessments fees can be paid in your Uplifter account under the "Purchase Products" tab located at the left side of the page or by following the link <https://vancouver.vsc.uplifterinc.com/registration/products/>

- 1) Please select the correct assessment discipline (Freeskate Elements, Freeskate Program, Skills or Artistic) from the purchase products page.
- 2) Select your skater's coach from the drop-down menu.
- 3) Enter your skater's first and last name.

- 4) Select the correct STAR level of assessment from the drop-down menu.
- 5) Submit payment information.

If you would like more information about the Skate Canada STAR 1 to Gold assessment structure or procedure, please email the Assessment Co-ordinator at assessments@vancouver skatingclub.ca.

If you have any questions about your skater's progress or individual assessment needs, please contact your skater's coach.